

Habit is the deepest law of human nature.—Carlyle.

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Green Again Visits Southland; Legislators Hear Union Story

Birmingham, Ala., March 1.—President Green's second Southern tour is exceeding expectations, international representatives and his committee are not deluding themselves that a few mass meetings and resolutions will suffice.

He received a cordial welcome following his address to the two branches of the South

Carolina Legislature. Trade unionists in that section gave the A. F. of L. a typical Dixie recep-

The same activities are reported from Mississippi where President Green has been invited

Employees of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, a steel trust unit, are quietly discussing trade unionism. The company "union" system has

throughout the South," said Paul J. Smith, chairman A. F. of L. southern organizing committee. "Big mass meetings are being held and others are being arranged. It is a huge movement."

Mr. Smith declared that President

Illiteracy Drive Started By Labor;

Not Included On Advisory Board

Washington, March 1.—The president drive against illiteracy in the children are excused from school if they're too poor to attend. Seventeen

United States was started by the A. F. of L., but the labor movement is not represented on the recently-appointed National Advisory Committee on Education.

Organized workers who are watching this anti-illiteracy movement are asking if the committee's program is but a political gesture for the benefit

more limited, saying that children need not be educated if they are needed for the support of a widowed mother. In Tennessee they may re-

was made three years ago by Miss Selma Munter Borchardt, vice president and legislative representative American Federation of Teachers, an affiliate of the A. F. of L.

Miss Borchardt refused to accept at their face value the compulsory school attendance laws in every State. She showed that most of these laws

"There are so many exceptions in some cases that there are really no laws at all," said Miss Borchardt. And this holds true in 17 States, representative of every part of our country. The economic waste to the community is great; the loss to the peo-

And the excuses aren't even high sounding ones. Too poor; too far from school; not enough seats in the school, or 'any unusual case' are ex-

"First, there are the poverty exemption laws. In our rich, prosperous land, 'the land of opportunity,' poverty should not be allowed to beget poverty. Certainly the law shouldn't give its sanction to the practice."

WORKERS DENIED RELIEF; MUST APPLY UNION LAW **IDEALS OF PIONEERS**

Boston, March 1.—The Supreme Judicial Court has ruled that trade

unionists can not secure court relief from decisions of their officials until they exhaust all means provided by their union laws.

The decision accords with similar declarations by other courts, that when an individual joins a voluntary

association and agrees to abide by the laws of that association he must not expect court aid until he has taken advantage of these laws.

The decision was made in the case of certain members of Local Union No. 49, International Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers' Union, who had been expelled from the union for alleged immorality. The union officials stated that the members in question were "not the type of men who are found in the pioneer and in pioneer societies are no longer virtues in the residents of crowded urban centers and in industrial societies," he said.

Union dues were raised from 40 cents a month to \$1 and this was objected to by individuals. A Superior

Court enjoined the officers from enforcing the new rule, but this order has been annulled by the Supreme Judicial Court.

FIGHT 8-HOUR DAY ON RAIL CROSSINGS

Albany, N. Y., March 1.—Railroad attorneys and anti-union representatives opposed organized labor at a

legislative hearing on the Gates-Dun-
more bill which would apply eight
hours and the prevailing-rate-of-wage
law to grade crossing elimination
work.

More than \$300,000,000 will be expended on this work, but opponents of the bill claim that an eight-hour day would retard the development.

The workers' representatives attacked the backward position of these railroads, who were charged with importing cheap labor into the State.

DRIFT FROM FARM GROWS
Washington, March 1.—The drift from farms to industrial centers continues, according to the Department of Agri-

culture. The total farm population the last of the year was estimated at 27,322,000. This is a decrease of 269,000 from the estimate of Jan. 1, last year.

STATE UNIONS TO MEET
Ablene, Texas, March 1.—Officers of the Texas Federation of Labor issued a call for the annual convention that will

be held in this city beginning Monday, May 12.

**PAUPER WAGE;
ED LOW-WAGE LIST**
Company, 27½ cents; Lewin Met-

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from 27 1/2 to 40 cents, meat packing industry, 34 to 40 cents; American Car and Foundry Company, 40 cents for skilled workers. Wages paid in retail chain

stores and by Sears-Roebuck, Montgomery Ward, Woolworth, Kresge and Piggly-Wiggly are lower.

"We could continue this list until it became tiresome reading," the unionists declare. "After a careful survey, extending over 60

days, we find actual want among American people in this day of prosperity."
